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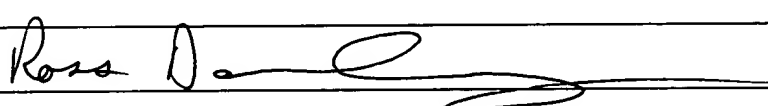
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In Re Application Of

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For: VIRTUAL NETWORK WITH  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

The Applicants request that the following amendment be entered prior to an action on the merits.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace paragraph [01] with the following replacement paragraph:

A1  
--This application relates to and claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application serial number 60/329,796, filed October 16, 2001, and U.S. Provisional Application serial number 60/346,370, filed October 19, 2001, each of which is herein incorporated by reference.--

**Remarks**

Applicants have amended the specification to reflect the claim for priority as claimed in the original application and/or declaration submitted with the application.

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